

polyethylene, low density polyethylene, and ethylene vinyl acetate and having a thickness of less than about 24 mils;

- (c) applying a pressure of between about 50 psi and 500 psi to the fabric and thermoplastic film at a temperature of between about 230 degrees Fahrenheit and 290 degrees Fahrenheit; and
- (d) maintaining the pressure and temperature for between about 5 minutes and 15 minutes so that the thermoplastic film softens and bonds with the fabric.

26. (New) The method of Claim 25 further including the step of tacking the thermoplastic film over at least one of the first and second sides of the fabric before applying a pressure to the fabric.

27. (New) The method of Claim 26 wherein the tacking step is conducted using a heated calender roll device.

28. (New) The method of Claim 26 wherein the tacking step is conducted using a heated flat press.

29. (New) The method of Claim 25 wherein the step of applying pressure to the fabric is conducted using a hydraulic press.

Remarks

Claim 25 stands rejected.

The Examiner has rejected Claim 25 under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicants regard as the invention. Specifically, the Examiner asserts that the word "being" should be inserted before the word "selected" in lines 3 and 8 of the claim. Claim 25 is so amended.

The Examiner further rejects Claim 25 under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as containing subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to reasonably convey to one of skill in the relevant art that the inventors, at the time the application